

MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING

September 4, 2002
City Council Chambers
City of La Quinta
78-495 Calle Tampico
La Quinta, CA 92253

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Colorado River Basin Region, was called to order by Chair Michael Smith at 10:00 a.m. on September 4, 2002, in the City Council Chambers, City of La Quinta, California.

1. Board Member Roll Call

Present: Dr. Dan Baxley, John Benson, Gary Johnson, Leon Lesicka, Michael Smith, Brenda Soulliere, and Nancy Wright

Absent: Mary Ann Martin Andreas

2. Staff Present

Jeff Allred, Adnan Al-Sarabi, Sheila Ault, John Carmona, Liann Chavez, Jose Cortez, Maria de la Paz Carpio-Obeso, Ron Falkowski, Kristie Taylor Garcia, Teresa Gonzales, Phil Gruenberg, Chris Igbiniedion, Robert Perdue, Jonathan Rokke, Charles Springer, Joan Stormo, David Virginia and Doug Wylie

3. Others Present

Steve Bigley, Coachella Valley Water District
Lavelle Lesicka, Private Citizen
Karl M^cArther, U. C. Cooperative Extension
Mr. Milliken, Private Citizen
Lori Okun, State Water Resources Control Board - OCC
Scot Stormo, Earth Systems

4. Minutes

Meeting of June 26, 2002

MOTION: Mr. Johnson moved, Ms. Wright seconded, and motion carried unanimously that the Minutes be approved as submitted.

5. Public Forum

No one from the public chose to speak.

6. Uncontested Waste Discharge Requirements

Waste Discharge Requirements

CS	R7-2002-0128	St. Anthony Fish Farm, Inc., Owner/Operator, St. Anthony Trailer Park Septic Tank/Oxidation Basin Disposal Facilities - South of Mecca, Riverside County (Updated Order)
CS	R7-2002-0130	Ramon C. Serna, Owner/Operator, Ramon C. Serna Septic Tank/Oxidation Basin Disposal Facility - West of Calexico, Imperial County (Updated Order)
CS	R7-2002-0135	Erle Holm and Steve Durand, Owner/Operator, Riverview Mobile Home and RV Park Septic Tank/Oxidation Basin Disposal Facilities – Earp, San Bernardino County (Updated Order)
DV	R7-2002-0138	United States Marine Corps Marine Air Ground Task Force Training Command Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center Natural Resources/Environmental Affairs Division, Owner/Operator, USMC Fire Fighting Training Facility - Twentynine Palms, San Bernardino County (Updated Order)

R7-2002-0139 Rescission of Waste Discharge Requirements

CS	89-049	Prudencio Alvarez Salas Septic Tank/Oxidation Basin Disposal Facilities Imperial, Imperial County
NK	91-043	Armtec Defense Products Company Coachella, Riverside County

R7-2002-0140 Change of Name and/or Ownership

MO	00-085	PEM Unit 4 Holtville, Imperial County
MO	00-090	PEM Unit 3 Holtville, Imperial County
MO	00-101	PEM Units 5&6 Holtville, Imperial County
MO	00-102	PEM Unit 2 Holtville, Imperial County
MO	00-103	PEM Unit 1 Holtville, Imperial County

MOTION: Dr. Baxley moved, Mr. Lesicka seconded, and motion carried unanimously that Board Orders No. R7-2002-0128, R7-2002-0130, R7-2002-0135, R7-2002-0138, R7-2002-0139 and R7-2002-0140, including the errata, be adopted.

7. Reportable Violations of the California Water Code

Chris Igbiniedion, Regional Board staff, reported that the Water Quality Enforcement Policy was adopted in February 2002, and became effective on July 30, 2002. He stated that staff is currently preparing several Mandatory Minimum Penalty ACLCs, which will be brought before the Board at the next Board Meeting.

8. Informational Update on State Board Activities

There was no update given.

9. Regional Board Executive Officer's Report

Mr. Gruenberg announced that there would be a workshop in Calexico on October 16, 2002, to address New River issues. The workshop will be held at San Diego State University's Imperial Valley Campus.

Mr. Gruenberg reported that he submitted proposed legislative concepts to the Office of Legislative and Public Affairs. The two concepts submitted were for wind farm regulation and expediting TMDLs with CEQA exemptions.

Mr. Gruenberg announced that the Imperial Irrigation District/San Diego County Water Authority Water Transfer hearing transcripts are now available on the SWRCB's website.

10. Regional Board Staff Reports

Joan Stormo, Regional Board staff, gave an overview on perchlorate, including the chemical structure, environmental impacts and water quality concerns.

Ron Falkowski, Regional Board staff, gave an update on the status of Meader's Cleaners dry cleaning facility.

Doug Wylie, Regional Board staff, gave an update on grant selection for Phase 2 of Proposition 13 and the federal CWA 319(h).

11. Board Member Comments

Ms. Wright stated that she attended the Water Education Foundation Water Law and Policy Conference where Mr. Arthur Baggett complimented Regional Board Members for volunteering their time.

12. Regional Board Chair's Report

Mr. Smith stated that he recently attended a Chair's Meeting in Sacramento where the upcoming WQCC was discussed.

13. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m.